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U-2 MISSION C371C

JUSTIFICATION

This mission is in response to the USIB requirement for photographic coverage of high priority targets along the Central coast of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

This U-2R aircraft, will remain at least 25 nautical miles off the mainland of the PRC and 12 nautical miles from all PRC-controlled offshore islands.

The December 1971 missions as requested in were approved telephonically by the 40 Committee via Mr.

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TARGET DATA

This mission has been designed to cover 77 COMIREX priority targets.

COLLECTION SYSTEMS

The mission aircraft is configured to carry the following reconnaissance collection systems:

1. H-Camera for high resolution photographic coverage.



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OPERATIONAL DATA

DISTANCE : 1738 NM

TIME : 4 + 45

T/O FUEL : 1188 GALS

HI CONE : 197 GALS

PROFILE : MAX ALT

TAKE OFF TIME : 0050Z 10 December 1971
1950 9 December 1971 Washington, D.C.

VULNERABILITY ESTIMATE

The mission aircraft will not come within range of any known surface-to-air missile sites, or within range of any MIG-21 based airfields.

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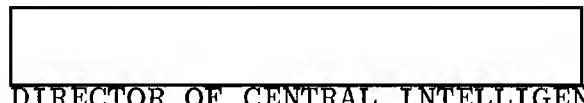
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COORDINATION MESSAGES

1. Request for NPIC to search track for SAM sites.

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2. NPIC's report of the search of latest photographs available along the mission route for SAM sites.

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5. Mission details coordinated with JRC/JCS.

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6. Intelligence summary of AOB, ROB, and SAM OB in the area of the mission.

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